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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Rima Kaddurah-Daouk

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For: USE OF CREATINE OR CREATINE COMPOUNDS FOR SKIN PRESERVATION

Examiner: N.M. Westerberg

### AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 9, 2008 for the above-identified patent application. A request for an appropriate extension of time and the requisite fee are filed concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.